Revision of OTA rates

†2451. SHRI SUKHDEV SINGH LIBRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have revised wage ceiling for purposes of overtime and rates of overtime allowance on the basis of revised pay scales; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor any by when a final decision in this regard is likely to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISRTY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) In pursuance of the decision taken by the Government on the recommendations of the 5th Central Pay Commission on Overtime Allowance, status quo on the subject is being maintained. Orders to this effect were issued on 21.11.1997.

Amendment of anti-corruption laws

2452. SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ: Will the PRIME MINSTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Chief Vigilance Commissioner has suggested to Government for amending the anti-corruption laws;

(b) when he has suggested and what are his main sugestions; and

(c) the decision taken / proposed to be taken by Government in this matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) to (c) The Law Commission of India had sent a Draft-Bill vide its 166th Report in the year 1999. It was proposed therein for forfeiture of ill-gotten property of corrupt public servants. The Draft Bill was examined and it was decided that no new law for illegally acquired assets of public servants need be enacted since the purpose can be acheived by carrying out suitable amendments to the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Accordingly, the matter has been referred to the Department of Legal Affairs.

Vacancies of Special Directors and Joint Directors in CBI

2453. SHRI LAJPAT RAI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of posts of Special Directors and Joint Directors in CBI are lying vacant for the last many months;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) by when these posts would be filled up; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to improve functioning of the premier investigating agency?

THE MINSITER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) to (c) Two posts of Special Directors / Additional Directors and Seven posts of Joint Directors are lying vacant as on 5.8.2002. A meeting of the CBI Selection Board has been held on 26.7.2002 for taking IPS officers on deputaion whereas for filling the promotion posts of Joint Directors, meeting of the Departmental Promotion Committee has been held on 2.8.2002.

(d) In order to improve the efficiency of the CBI and strengthening its-in-house-expertise 47 new posts have been sanctioned by the Government on 24.04.02 for the Special Crimes and Economic Offences Division. Besides, 26 Special Courts and 7 Magistrate level Courts have been sanctioned exclusively for CBI cases. A further 12 Special Judge Courts and 6 Magistrate level Courts have been identified.

Recommendations regarding additional pension

2454. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY:
SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Fifth Central Pay Commission has recommended for grant of additional pension at the rate of 0.5 per cent for each completed